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Board of Supervisors

Attention: Agenda Preparation

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RE:

Item for the Board of Supervisors' Agenda **County Claims Board Recommendation in**

Employment/Personnel Matter

Elizabeth Peralta v. County of Los Angeles, Sharon Harper, Michael Freeman, Carla Williams, Helen Jo & James Ealey

Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 444 026

Attached is the Agenda entry for the Los Angeles County Claims Board's recommendation regarding the above-referenced matter.

It is requested that this recommendation be placed on the Board of Supervisors' Agenda.

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Attachment

Board Agenda

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS

Los Angeles County Claims Board's recommendation: Authorize settlement of the matter entitled Elizabeth Peralta v. County of Los Angeles, Sharon Harper, Michael Freeman, Carla Williams, Helen Jo & James Ealey, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 444 026, in the amount of \$390,000 and instruct the Auditor-Controller to draw a warrant to implement the settlement from the Los Angeles County Fire Department's budget.

This lawsuit concerns allegations that an employee of the Fire Department was subjected to retaliation, harassment, and discrimination, and the failure by the Department to prevent such retaliation, harassment and discrimination.